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REPORT

OF

THE COMMITTEE OF CLAIMS,

ON

THE PETITION

OF

WILLIAM GAMBLE.

JANUARY 5, 1814.

Read and committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

WASHINGTON CITY:

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1814.

REPORT.

The committee of claims to whom was referred the petition of William Gamble,

REPORT:

That they have received the following letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, enclosing a report formerly made on the petitioner's claim by the Treasury Department.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

JANUARY 3d, 1814.

SIR,

In answer to your letter of the 30th ultimo, enclosing William Gamble's petition, I have the honor to inform you, that he has received from the United States, for his compensation as deputy inspector at Niagara, the sum of $242 $\frac{67}{100}$.

This case has heretofore repeatedly been before Congress, and has several times been referred to the Treasury for information. I beg leave to enclose a copy of the report last made upon it to the Senate, and to add, that nothing is now presented to vary the view taken of the case by the Secretary of the Treasury at that time.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
W. JONES,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

Honorable Stevenson Archer,
Chairman of the Committee of Claims.

The Secretary of the Treasury, to whom was referred the petition of William Gamble, respectfully submits the following

REPORT:

That it appears that the petitioner acted for some time as deputy of the late collector of Niagara, who, instead of appointing him regularly as such, gave him a commission of *deputy inspector*, an office not known to the law, and which, if intended to have been that of inspector, ought to have been authorised and approved by the Secretary of the Treasury.

That although this was omitted, yet it appearing that the petitioner has rendered some services as inspector, a compensation was allowed him to the presumed extent of those services.

And that although he may have a well founded claim against the said late collector, for services rendered to the said collector, as his deputy, the petioner has, in the opinion of the Treasury Department, received all that he had a right to claim from the United States.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

June 9, 1812.

Your committee coincide with the Secretary of the Treasury, in the view which he has taken of the claim, and submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of William Gamble ought not to be granted.

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